Milford Woman Charged with 5th Offense DUI After Crash-Greenwood

Greenwood- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Milford woman after she was involved in a single vehicle crash.

The incident occurred on June 29, 2019 at approximately 9:46 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to Shawnee Road, at Harvest Lane, Greenwood for a vehicle overturned. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with the driver, 53-year-old Patricia J. Prettyman, when an odor of alcohol was detected and a DUI investigation ensued. A computer check revealed that Prettyman had four previous DUI convictions, making this her fifth offense.

There were two passengers in the vehicle including an adult male and his 11-year-old son. Prettyman and the two passengers were transported to the Bayhealth Sussex Campus. The 11-year-old child was later transported to the A.I. DuPont Hospital with serious injuries.

Prettyman was released from the hospital and transported back to Troop 5 where she was charged with the following:

- 5th Offense Driving Under the Influence
- Vehicular Assault First Degree
- Endanger Welfare of Child
- Endangering the Welfare of a Child While DUI
- Vehicular Assault Third Degree
- Driving While Suspended
- Failure to Maintain Lane

Prettyman was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to The Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on \$20,201.00 cash only bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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